

## Message Text

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L-03 NSAE-00 NSC-05 PA-01 PRS-01 SP-02 SS-15  
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-----122052Z 055353 /44  
R 121208Z MAY 77  
FM AMEMBASSY KHARTOUM  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 4370  
INFO AMEMBASSY ADDIS ABABA

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: PFOR, PINT, SU, ET  
SUBJECT: ETHIOPIA DEVELOPMENTS IN KHARTOUM PRESS

1. SAHAFA CORRESPONDENT REPORTS FROM KASSALA AN ITEM  
APPEARING MAY 12 THAT ERITREAN FORCES HAVE TAKEN OVER  
TWO ETHIOPIAN ARMY CAMPS AT BARENTO. SAHAFA CORRESPON-  
DENT ALSO REPORTS THAT SEVENTY-FIVE ETHIOPIAN TROOPS ARRIVED  
AT KASSALA MAY 11 AND SOUGHT REFUGE IN SUDAN.

2. SUNA REPORTS MAY 12 THAT POWER STRUGGLE IN ADDIS  
ABABA HAS TAKEN A NEW TURN. CITING "REPORTS" FROM  
ADDIS ABABA, SUNA SAYS THAT MENGISTU FACES A NEW  
CONTENDER, HAILE GADDA, HEAD OF PEOPLE'S ORGANIZATIONAL  
OFFICE AND FIRST POLITICAL ADVISOR TO RULING JUNTA.  
SUNA ARTICLE SUGGESTS THAT BLOODY NEW CLIMAX IS LIKELY  
SOON.

3. COMMENT: WE HAVE NO WAY OF JUDGING SIGNIFICANCE  
OF ANY OPPOSITION TO MENGISTU THAT MAY BE REPRESENTED  
BY HAILE BADDA. HOWEVER, SIGNIFICANCE LOCALLY OF  
PARA 2 IS THAT IT REPRESENTS AN EFFORT BY SUDANGOV  
WHICH CONTROLS PRESS HERE TO DEPICT MENGISTU AS  
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BEING UNDER INCREASING CHALLENGE IN ADDIS ITSELF.  
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